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- ☒ 3 sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☒ An assignment of the invention
- ☒ Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
- ☒ Executed Declaration ☒ Original ☐ Photocopy
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